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USDA HELPS GREENS FORK IMPROVE LOCAL QUALITY OF LIFE

Indianapolis (03-33; 9-30-2003): Officials gathered today at the Greens Fork Town Hall to put the finishing touches on the financing package that will greatly improve the town's infrastructure. The Town of Greens Fork is receiving a \$440,000 low interest loan and a \$796,000 grant from USDA Rural Development for this important community improvement project. The Indiana Department of Commerce is also a key partner with Greens Fork in this project making a \$500,000 grant.

The financing being finalized today at the Town Hall will help fund the town's planned construction of a wastewater treatment plant and about 12,000 feet of gravity sewer lines. Nearly 200 users of the system will benefit from these infrastructure improvements.

John Chaille, USDA Loan Specialist, said at the loan closing, "We are proud to be a partner with Greens Fork residents in this project. Infrastructure improvements like this one have very important implications for the health of local residents and for business development. Congratulations to Greens Fork for making this investment in the future of the community."

Since 1994, USDA Rural Development has invested nearly \$11 million in rural Wayne County to help communities improve their quality of life. Single family home loans, rural rental housing, water and waste water disposal system funding, business and industry loans, and community facility loans and grants are financial resources available from USDA Rural Development. Information on these programs is available at USDA Rural Development, Winchester Local Office, 975 E. Washington Street, Suite 3, Winchester, IN 47394-0151; phone 765-584-4505, extension 4.